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Subject: Barge operation adjacent to SJRWP

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Hello Folks-

Happy New Year to you all...

Are you familiar with the barge operation that is on the west bank of the San Jacinto River immediately upstream of the SJRWP site? I never really paid close attention to it, but I have seen an increasing level of activity. I understand that it is now operational.

Do you think energy/turbulence from the tows' props as they push barges poses any risk to the integrity of the cap or any kind of risk by stirring up sediments? Just disconcerting since the operation is so close to the pits.

Thanks-

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